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## CALL CONFERENCE OF BUSINESS MEN

### Chamber of Commerce Plans State Gathering to Consider Methods of Tax Reform.

A state conference of men engaged in every form of material enterprise to consider the tax problem will be called by the Chamber of Commerce to meet in this city during the second week in January. The original plan to have two conferences, one of members of the Legislature and the other of business men, has been modified by the chamber to provide for the single conference at the opening of the session of the General Assembly. Members of the General Assembly will be invited to attend.

The main details of the conference have been determined by the legislative committee of the chamber, which is headed by Arthur M. Cannon, brother of State Senator James E. Cannon. The

lessor features will be worked out when the committee meets to-morrow night at 8 o'clock. At that time it will make a list of business and professional men to be invited, partially select the speakers and pick the dates for the conference.

**Interest in General.** It is the plan of the committee to invite every business and commercial organization in Virginia to send at least one representative to the conference. In addition, professional men in all material interests will be given an invitation. The general invitation to every business man in the State will be issued. The committee believes that the feeling of the State in regard to tax reform has reached such proportions that there is a real demand for such a gathering.

Prominent men in other sections of the State have been sounded in regard to the conference and have expressed the opinion that it is not only desirable, but highly commendable.

By calling the conference in Richmond toward the end of the second week in January the committee expects to make it accomplish the most good. Members of the Legislature will be in the city by that time for the opening of the session on January 13, and the conference is intended to give them a personal illustration of the strength behind the demand for immediate tax reform.

## Good Things to Eat for the Xmas Holidays at Big Savings

Such as Raisins, Nuts, Candies, Lemon and Orange Peel, Celery, Chickens, Turkeys, Cranberries, and Fresh Oysters, Potted Ginger, Crystallized Ginger, Ripe Olives.

Write for our New Xmas Price List.

Sweet Florida Oranges, dozen, 18c, 20c and .....	24c
Fresh, Regular or Corned Hams, any size, lb. ....	18c
Snow Drift Lard, large size; 10 lb. size, \$1.20; 5 lb. size, 60c; 3 lb. size .....	36c
Large Juicy Lemons, dozen .....	18c
Best American Franklin Brand Granulated Sugar, lb. ....	4 1/4c
New Seeded Raisins, full pound package .....	10c
Good Large Country Eggs, dozen .....	32c
Black Country Walnuts, peck .....	22c
New Fat Norway Mackerel, large, 5c, or 6 for .....	25c
New London Layer Raisins, lb. ....	10c
New Clean Currants, 1-lb. package .....	10c
Best California Sherry and Port Wine, gallon .....	\$1.00
New Cape Cod Cranberries, quart .....	12c
New Lemon or Orange Peel, per lb. ....	14c
New Currants, 16-oz. pkg. ....	10c
California Layer Figs, 16-oz. pkg. ....	11c
New Malaga Grapes, lb. ....	10c
Fancy Celery, large stalk .....	8c
Wine for jelly, qt. ....	20c
Fresh Country Butter .....	32c
Fresh Chocolate Drops, lb. ....	12 1/2c
Finest Quality Swiss Cheese, lb. ....	25c
New Mixed Nuts, lb. ....	14c
Quart Apple or French Brandy .....	50c
Fancy English Walnuts, lb. ....	18c
best quality, lb. ....	18c
1-lb. pkg. New Dates .....	9c
California Evaporated Peaches, lb. ....	9c
Good Grains Lard, 12 1/2c .....	10c
lb. in 25-lb. cans .....	10c
Good 5-string Brooms .....	25c
Large bottle Essence Lemon, or Vanilla, bottle .....	5c
Best Navy Beans, lb. ....	5c
3-lb. jar Home-Made Preserves .....	20c
Fresh New Comb Honey, pkg. 17c .....	17c
A Very Good Mixed Tea, lb. ....	25c
Good Sour Pickles, gallon .....	25c
New Barley, for soup, lb. ....	6c
Smithfield Country Jowls, lb. ....	14c
New Codfish, 1-lb. brick .....	7c
New Mince Meat, lb. ....	8c
Purity Brand Butterine, lb. ....	22c
Country Sun-dried Apples, lb. ....	9c
Good Carolina Rice, lb. ....	7c
Ivory Soap, 6 for .....	25c
Sweetheart Toilet Soap, 6 bars .....	25c
Home Made Fruit Cakes, pound .....	20c
New Sour Krout, just received, per quart .....	8c
Butterfly High Grade Condensed Milk, large cans, New California Prunes, 3 lbs. for .....	25c
Quart bottle Finest Maraschino Cherries .....	55c
Verdant Valley Fancy Creamery Butter, 1-lb. carton .....	37c
Rival Gelatine; make 4 pints jelly for .....	5c
Virginia Pride Roasted Coffee, 1-lb. pks. ....	22c
Finest Quality Breakfast Bacon, 1-lb. or, by piece, 6 lbs. to piece, lb. ....	18c

## Headquarters for Xmas Wines and Liquors

California Sherry Wine, sealed quart bottles .....	35c
Virginia, Rye or Corn Whiskey, quart .....	50c
Rooney's Malt Whiskey, qt. bottles .....	85c
Old Virginia Apple Brandy, very old, qt. ....	90c
Good Virginia Apple Brandy, qt. ....	50c
Old Virginia Peach Brandy, very old, qt. ....	90c
Good Virginia Peach Brandy, qt. ....	50c
Old Jamaica Rum, per qt. ....	60c
Kentucky Rye Whiskey, very old, qt. ....	75c
Cream of Kentucky Rye Whiskey, qt. ....	\$1.00
Rock and Rye, Lemon and Horehound, qt. bottle .....	85c
Geneva Holland Gin, qt. ....	85c
Turkey Gin, pt. bottles .....	45c
French Brandy, qt. ....	50c
Very Old French Brandy, qt. ....	90c
Sweet Catawba or Blackberry Wine, qt. ....	20c

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## PAGE TO HAVE A PALACE FOR ROME EMBASSY

American Envoy Will Move Furniture From Washington—Is Guest of Monsignor Setton.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] Rome, December 13.—After prolonged search for a suitable residence and one becoming to his dignity as the representative of a first-class power, Ambassador Page has leased the second floor of Prince Delgrande's palace in the Via Veneto, Settembrini, within a stone's throw of the offices of the embassy.

The dwelling apartments and a number of stately saloons are now fitted with all the modern comforts. Ambassadors Lloyd Garrison and Henry White resided there during their term of service. The apartments will be ready in March. Most of the furniture will come from Mr. Page's house in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Page and several members of the embassy were the dinner guests Thursday evening of Mr. Setton, the oldest American prelate in Rome. The other guests included Mr. Kennedy, rector of the American College in Rome; Dr. Mills, of the English archaeological school, and other ecclesiastical and educational authorities.

N. Behar, president of the Liberal Immigration League of New York, who has been studying sanitation of the European cities, is in Rome, after visiting London, Berlin and Vienna.

Mr. Behar was received in private audience by the Pope, who promised his warm support to the newly organized Department of Emigration, which aims to protect emigrants in every quarter of the globe. Mr. Behar will complete his studies in Paris.

Four hundred tourists from Cleveland invaded Rome, and several have been received by the Pope. The majority are bound for Egypt and the Holy Land. The others will tour Italy, France and England.

Mrs. and the Misses Hollowell, relatives of Colonel Hollowell, of Civil War fame, have arrived here for the winter.

Mrs. and Miss Porter, wife and daughter of a Harvard professor, are back in Rome for the winter. Professor Tracy Peck, formerly of Yale, has returned from a brief visit to his old home in New Haven.

Miss Goodrich, a cousin of Ambassador Page, is here for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Sturges, of New York, are at the Hotel Flora. Lieutenant-Commander Steltz, U. S. N., is at the Excelsior. Mr. and Mrs. the Misses Houston Barnard, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. C. Wyndham, of Boston, are at the Regina Hotel. Mrs. E. E. Grant and Mrs. S. Steinberg, of New York, are at the Bristol. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bowden and Mrs. Charles Van Lee, of New York, after moving through Northern Italy, have engaged rooms at the Excelsior.

**Watson-Smith.** [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., December 13.—An announcement was made today of the marriage of E. A. Watson, manager of the Lynchburg Country Club, and Miss Maude Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Smith, of Baltimore. The marriage having been solemnized on October 13 at Hickton, Md. After the marriage ceremony returned here, and several days ago he left the city, reappearing this morning with his bride. Mr. and Mrs. Watson will return to their friends at the Virginia Hotel until spring, when they will go to Western for the spring and summer.

## FROG-EYE'S DANCE

**Big Cake-Walk at City Auditorium on Friday Night for Charity.** "Frog-eye" of Jackson Ward, who is reputed to have danced in every capital in Europe, will cake-walk in the City Auditorium on Friday night, and for the first time present his premier company to a Richmond audience.

"Frog-eye" has lost his real name soon after he left the cradle—is said to be the champion cake-walker of the earth, and then some, and the thing he can do in the fancy dance line is to make a cake of anything he puts on close and shuffled on a stage. He will have the next best with him, all of them natives of Jackson Ward, and therefore, real artists of the lightly-tripping toe.

After the expenses of the affair are paid, the balance will be turned over to the central committee of the Community Christmas Tree. "Frog-eye" hopes to be able to give the committee at least \$100. Mayor Ainslie will introduce the dancers, and a committee headed by Justice John H. Crutcher will award the cake.

John Hirschberg, of the Administrative Board, with other city officials, will be present. Alvin M. Smith has been asked to sell the cake at auction after the dance.

One of the features of the evening will be the singing by one of "Frog-eye's" troupe of Otto Ainslie's touching ballad, "That Coal Black Child of Chile."

## BILLPOSTER FINED

**Miller Pays \$10 for Defacing Windows With Lyric Theatre Posters.** George J. Miller, Jr., who helped Isaac Kahn, a billposter, place posters advertising a Lyric Theatre vaudeville act, on the windows of merchants, was fined \$10 yesterday in Police Court. Kahn was fined \$20 for the same offense, but in view of the fact that Miller was employed merely as an assistant, the court decided to let him off with a lighter sentence.

**Lodge Officers Chosen.** [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., December 13.—Lynchburg Lodge, No. 17, I. O. O. F., has elected the following officers for the ensuing six months: Noble grand counselor, S. H. Peters; vice-grand counselor, J. M. Martin; recording secretary, W. E. Mayes; financial secretary, W. E. Mayes; treasurer, M. L. Peters; trustees, C. M. Mayes, C. H. Lumsden and A. B. Anderson.

## DINNER IN HONOR OF MRS. STEWART

Prominent Member of American Colony Entertains in Berlin.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] Berlin, December 13.—One of the largest social events of the week was the reception given by Miss Agnes Kerr, a prominent member of the American colony, for Mrs. Stewart, of Grand Rapids, Mich. Among the guests were Ambassador and Mrs. Gerard, Mrs. Gherardi, Dr. Alice Luce, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Conger, and Mrs. W. A. Derrick, who has just returned from a visit to friends in Dresden.

The growing popularity of winter sports is having a marked effect on the movement of tourist traffic at this season of the year. Berlin hotel registers show a uniformly high percentage of arrivals for December. The majority of these are winter sports en-



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Military Brush Sets, in silver and Parian ivory, \$2.25 to \$3.50.

Beautiful Hand Mirrors, oval and round, in Parian Ivory, \$2.40 to \$3.95.

Combination Sets—Comb, Brush, Mirror, Clothes Brush, Hat Brush, 6 Manicure Pieces, in sterling silver, also Parian ivory, \$1.08 to \$1.75.

Japanese Baskets, hand painted, filled with fine linen writing paper, 60c, 70c, 80c.

Picture Frames, in Parian Ivory and German silver, very nobby for small gift, 30c to \$1.10.

Triplicate Shaving Mirror, Parian ivory with silver inlaid, German bevel plate glass, \$5.75.

Manicure Sets complete, three to twelve pieces to each set, in beautiful patterns, sterling silver and Parian ivory, \$3.40 to \$9.00.

Cigarette Cases, German silver, gold lined, 50c to \$1.10.

Brush and Comb Sets, a beautiful assortment of Parian Ivory and sterling silver, \$1.20 to \$1.95.

Vases, imitation cut glass, with silver filigree holders, very attractive and pretty, for cut flowers, 30c to \$2.95.

Whisks with silver holder and trimmings, 40c to 70c.

Children's Sets—Comb, Brush and Mirror—large assortment of attractive designs, \$1.20 to \$2.95.

Ladies' Vanity Purses, German silver; very handsome and useful. Ink Stands, 70c to \$1.10.

Individual pieces—Shoe Horns, Button Hooks, Files, Cuticle Knife, Letter Openers, etc.—in Parian Ivory and German silver, 25c and 50c.

Cigar Jar, silver filigree work, \$2.30.

Ash Tray and Match Holder, 95c.

Ash Trays, in copper, silver and brass, 20c up.

Shaving Brushes, 25c to \$2.50.

Shaving Sets, with plain and magnifying mirror, German silver, \$2.40 to \$4.75.

Beautiful Brass Electric Lamps, for the library or study room, in different shade reflectors, \$5.55.

PERFUMES—Imported and domestic.

Mary Garden, in 3 1/2-ounce cut glass bottle, handsome red satin box, \$4.00.

Houbigant's Ideal, in 2 1/2 ounce cut glass bottle, beautiful box, \$4.25.

Hudnut's Violet Scent Toilet Water, in handsome packages, 75c and \$1.40.

Beautiful Christmas Cards, with attractive wishes, from 2c to 25c.

Our Toy and Animal Department a treat for the little ones. We have a full line of Steiff's Life-Like Animals and Toys, Mechanical Toys, Kewpie Character and Indestructible Dolls, Teddy Bears, Monkeys. Bring the children and let them see our display. Articles at different prices, from 5c to \$5.00.

Xmas Stationery—Nothing more appropriate or acceptable than a nice box of good quality stationery. It will appeal to most any young lady. We have it from 25c to \$1.00.

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thusiasts, who are getting a glimpse of holiday festivities before leaving for Switzerland and South Germany.

Among the Americans who are here for a short stay are Mrs. C. L. Tracy, of New York, daughter of John Bleglow, who is living at the Kaiserhof with Mrs. Tracy, and Miss M. Elliott, of Baltimore.

Among the new arrivals at the Esplanade are Mrs. H. J. Luce, of New York, and Robert Cassatt, of Philadelphia.

Several prominent members of the Berlin American colony are planning to spend the Christmas holidays at Grindelwald, where skiing and bob-sledding are in season.

## SULLIVAN IS GUILTY OF NO WRONGDOING

Washington, December 13.—Alleged relations of James M. Sullivan, American minister to the Dominican republic, with persons seeking contracts with the Dominican government, was the basis to-night of a second statement on the subject from the State Department. The statement exonerated Mr. Sullivan from any wrongdoing in connection with a recent visit to the island republic of James K. McGuire, who, with his brother-

-in-law, Frank J. McGuire, is engaged in contract work. The previous statement exonerated Mr. Sullivan from any wrongdoing in connection with activities in Santo Domingo of his kinsman, Timothy J. Sullivan and other contractors.

The statement tonight says: "In view of the criticism contained in some of the New York papers, Secretary Bryan gave to the press the following letter, just received from Mr. McGuire, which shows the unfairness and injustice of the charges against Minister Sullivan on account of Mr. McGuire's visit to Santo Domingo:

"New Rochelle, N. Y., December 11, 1913. "My Dear Mr. Bryan—I wish to make the following explanation concerning my recent visit to Santo Domingo:

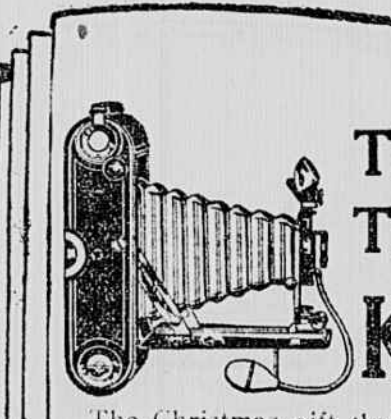
"My brother-in-law, Frank J. McGuire, is engaged in contract work in the South. Frank McGuire has had a large experience in handling negro labor on the roads. Early

last fall we noticed an announcement in the Dominican papers to the effect that the Dominican republic was preparing plans and estimates for a considerable amount of road work. Thereupon, I wrote the American minister for information, and he courteously replied, merely stating to come down in November, as it was good month for that climate, and to examine into the proposed improvements.

"I visited two cities on the island. The American minister took no further interest in the matter and did not even introduce me to the Minister of Power Works. I secured whatever information could be obtained from the Dominican officials, without aid from the American minister. I am sure that the Dominican officials whom I met from the President down spoke of the American minister in the most favorable terms, and I regret exceedingly that my presence there is exciting unfavorable comment. (Signed) "JAMES K. MCGUIRE."

## Christmas

## Suggestions



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